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REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from the Templin AreaEVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 15 August 1950REFERENCES [REDACTED]PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] the Templin (N 54/U 81) area was occupied by about 30,000 troops on 12 July 1950. * About 200 troops were trained in the area near the village of Storkow. All roads leading to the training area south of the village of Hamelspring were blocked and guarded by sentries. The noise of tanks and artillery fire was heard from the training area. Units of about one battalion practiced an attack south of the village.

2. Three trucks, [REDACTED] each occupied by about 20 lieutenants and senior lieutenants wearing tank and artillery insignia, left the training area heading north. Motor vehicles [REDACTED] were seen. Only a komendatura is located in Templin.

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3. [REDACTED] the Templin maneuver area was occupied by about 36,000 troops. The troops allegedly are principally engaged in night practices with tanks. * [REDACTED] units of the Prenzlau and Freienwalde posts are among the practicing troops [REDACTED]

Comment. Credence may be given to the strength figure of the troops training in the Templin maneuver area. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the 25th Tank Div and headquarters units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army were there up to 19 July 1950.

* Comment. [REDACTED] the 175th Tank Regt of the 25th Tank Div up to 24 May 1950; this regiment was assumed to be in Oranienburg.

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